

# 2014 California High School Equivalency Conference



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**2014 California High School Equivalency Conference  
Sacramento, California  
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I am honored to welcome you to the 2014 State High School Equivalency Conference. This year's conference will provide new information on all three options for the State of California's High School Equivalency Tests.

The test alternatives are Test Assessing Secondary Completion (**TASC™**) provided by CTB/McGraw-Hill LLC, General Educational Development (**GED®**) Test provided by GED Testing Service, and the High School Equivalency Test (**HiSET®**) provided by Educational Testing Service.

We hope this conference will provide the assurance needed to have a successful school year. Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

/s/

Tom Torlakson  
State Superintendent of Public Instruction

# **2014 California High School Equivalency Conference**

**Tuesday, October 28, 2014**

## **Registration Check-in and Continental Breakfast**

**7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.**

## **OVERVIEW**

### **Welcome and Policy Kick-Off**

**8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.**

**Diane Hernandez, Director of the Assessment Development and Administration Division,  
California Department of Education**

**John Boivin, Administrator of the High School and Physical Fitness Assessment Office,  
California Department of Education**

**Vicki Prater, Adult Education Consultant, California Department of Education**

**8:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.**

**GED Testing Service®**

**9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.**

**ETS HiSET®**

## **Break**

**10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

**11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

**CTB/McGraw-Hill TASC™**

## **Lunch**

**12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

## **NUTS AND BOLTS**

**1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

**ETS HiSET®**

**2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

**CTB/McGraw-Hill TASC™**

## **Break**

**3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.**

**3:15 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.**

**GED Testing Service®**

## **Q & A: Program and Policy**

**4:15 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

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**Wednesday, October 29, 2014**

## **Continental Breakfast**

**7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.**

## **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT – TEACHING TOOLS – RESOURCES**

**8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.**

**CTB/McGraw-Hill TASC™**

**9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.**

**GED Testing Service®**

## **Break**

**10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.**

**10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.**

**ETS HiSET®**

## **Q & A: Program and Policy**

**11:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.**

## **Lunch**

**11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

## **WRAP-UP – NEXT STEPS**

**1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.**

**GED Testing Service®**

**1:45 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.**

**ETS HiSET®**

**2:30 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.**

**CTB/McGraw-Hill TASC™**

## **Closing**

**3:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.**

*A Resource Network Center will be available with our vendors to share information and to answer questions.*